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City Hosts Kick-Off Ceremony For Adopt A Park Program

Fremont, CA –May 6, 2004 – On Saturday May 15, 2004, beginning at 9:00 a.m., the City of Fremont will host a ceremony honoring local Rotary clubs that have "adopted" six parks through the City's *Adopt a Park* program. The ceremony will be held at the Teen Center in Central Park, located at 39770 Sailway Drive, off of Paseo Padre Parkway. Mayor Gus Morrison will address volunteers from the six clubs, as well as friends and family who will gather for this special occasion. Afterwards, volunteers will begin working on projects they have selected to help beautify and care for the parks.

The following are the adopted Fremont parks and their sponsoring Rotary clubs:

- 1) Centerville Community Park (*Rotary Club of Fremont/Union City/Newark*)
- 2) Los Cerritos Community Park (*Rotary Club of Fremont*)
- 3) Mission San Jose Community Park (*Rotary Club of Mission San Jose*)
- 4) Niles Community Park (*Rotary Club of Niles*)
- 5) Old Mission Community Park (*Rotary Club of Fremont Sunrise*)
- 6) Warm Springs Community Park (Rotary Club of Warm Springs)

Each club has agreed to work on a variety of activities that will help to keep the parks clean, safe, and attractive, such as picking up litter, planting and maintaining plants, and spreading wood chips in planter beds. Their efforts will supplement the work of the City's Parks Maintenance staff.

The *Adopt a Park* program is one component of the City's Volunteer Program, which provides opportunities for citizens to donate their time, energy, and expertise to a wide range of projects and programs. For additional information about the City's Volunteer Program, please contact Debra Nunn, Volunteer Services Manager, at (510) 790-6754 or dnunn@ci.fremont.us. Information can also be found on the City's website at www.fremont.gov. For information on the Adopt a Park program, please contact Catherine Chevalier, Business Manager, at (510) 494-4362, or cchevalier@ci.fremont.ca.us.

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